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Subject: NAIAC position on Surgical Techs

Ron,

The Nebraska Association of Independent Ambulatory Centers (NAIAC) supports the direction and concepts of the SURGICAL ASSISTANTS & SURGICAL TECHNOLOGISTS CREDENTIALING REVIEW APPLICATION submitted by the Sidney Regional Medical Center and the Nebraska Hospital Association. The NAIAC supports the licensure of Surgical First Assistants but opposes the licensure of Surgical Technologists at the time.

The NAIAC opposes any proposal that requires Surgical Technologists to be licensed and subject to education requirements. Requiring their licensure could result in a shortage of Surgical Technologists. Surgical Technologists wages will increase if there is a shortage.

Sincerely,

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